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The utter failure of a parliamentary régime in Persia, was perhaps in most quarters not entirely unexpected. There are, of course, two accompaniments absolutely necessary for the success of Parliamentary Rule; it needs the intelligent understanding of both Sovereign and People, and both these, it is hardly necessary to mention, were conspicuously absent in Persia. Russia may be quoted as another instance of a very similar failure, in both cases the cause of the breakdown proceeding from the same cause, the utter want of understanding of the workings of the parliamentary machine, on the part of both rulers and ruled. In the days of JOHN STUART MILL, a politician of as little practical experience of men and measures, as the SHAH or PERSIA himself, Parliamentary Government was to be the great panacea for all the political ills to which humanity is subject. "Have you J.S. MILL on 'Liberty?'" asked once in the presence of the writer an applicant at a lending library. "The reply was desultory, and marked the general trend of feeling at the period:—"No, Sir, but we have Parliamentary Government." The two were evidently interchangeable conceptions in the mind of the young lady who presided over the issue of books. This misunderstanding of the objects and limitations of parliament was conspicuous in the first Duma summoned by the TSAR. In the sovereign's mind, the doctrines of J.S.

MILL kept continually jostling the Romanoff idea of autocracy, and prevented most effectively any definite scheme being drawn up. At last in desperation, and shutting his eyes to the possible, or certain result, the Tsar gave the word for the assembling of the first Duma. It promised to be the story of the "Constituent Assembly" over again. No rules had been evolved to direct proceedings, and no one knew what to do, or how to do it; while with the exception of general discontent, no two individuals' opinions coalesced on any point. A scene of wild confusion was the natural result, and the Tsar's responsible advisers found it necessary to council the dissolution of the House, even by violence, if necessary. The Duma sullenly yielded in the face of the military preparations made, and a second was elected with little better results, and dissolved without having done any better than attempted to impeach the ministers. It was clearly evident that no parliament chosen in the promiscuous way in which these Dumas had been could be expected to succeed.

It is characteristic of the state of decay into which the Government of Russia has fallen that instead of making proper regulations for the election of the third Duma, which the advisers of the Tsar felt had become a necessity, the unconstitutional and irregular method of directly forcing the choice of representatives was had recourse to. The event seems, however, to have been fairly successful, and the House, by timid steps it is true, has proceeded to business, and its advice has been, nominally at least, accepted by the Government. This, however irregularly it may have been arrived at, is perhaps a subject for congratulation. The great thing needed was to have an influential council outside the regular ministers, who are at best compelled to be mere creatures of the Tsar. The election of a parliament is perhaps the least important part of its constitution. Granted that it is independent, any two or three hundred men selected at random, the more at random the better, can be worked, or can work themselves into an efficient council.

The Gymkhana, under the auspices of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club, which was originally fixed for last Saturday, takes place at the Racecourse, Happy Valley, next Saturday, and having accepted its help in matters of finance it would seem to be difficult for the Government to dispense with it in future.

When we come to look back to Persia, there seems no glimmer of hope whatever; from the very beginning the SHAH has been plotting secretly against his newly called Parliament, and the principal members of the Parliament have in an equally underhand manner been plotting against the SHAH. Worst of all in this contest of plot and counterplot neither SHAH nor Parliament has taken the slightest thought of the country; the contest is not even one of party, much less of policy, but an ignominious squabble for the power, and above all the emoluments of office. Neither SHAH, Parliament, Army, nor People have in fact any higher aim than personal gain. All this, we can readily see has a not unimportant effect on Chinese politics. Seeing the disastrous effects of an attempt to introduce parliamentary rule by its neighbour the Government itself, which was the first to contemplate its establishment in China, is without doubt beginning to doubt its utility. Its commissioners sent abroad to study

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the nation, and which in the hands of evil designing men were turned to the worst purposes. We have seen a spirit of the same nature late, fanned into mischief and wrong in the City of Canton, and we see designing men turning to wicked and senseless ends the national longing of the Chinese as a nation to recover their former independence in the face of the world. China has in fact, while preserving in her moral code, these exalted precepts, by long continued apathy, and political slothfulness suffered them to fall into disuse, so that they have in a manner become strophied, and this is the great danger under which she lies. She would do well, but she has lost the power of converting her good intentions into action. Whether the first results of obtaining Parliamentary Government would result in strengthening politically and commercially her position as a nation, or would result in her utter downfall, like Persia, is one of those questions that can only be decided by actual experience. Under wise counsels, and tempered by discretion and experience, there can be little doubt of China's capacity; but the important question arises, can she depend on obtaining those wise counsellors, and the necessary discretion to carry her safely through the preliminary period of temptation?

Only three cases of plague occurred during the twenty-four hours ended at noon yesterday.

Business with the atherosbrokers must be bad. There has not been a single change in the quotations on the Stock Exchange for two days.

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Commander Rush, of the "Wilmington," who has been in the Peak Hospital indisposed, is now out again.

The number of Japanese flocking into Manchuria increases each month. Last March 24,037 names were registered of whom 22,684 were men and 1,353 women. These figures show a great increase on the number which arrived during February. During March 8,21 Japanese left Manchuria, which is 192 less than in February. Of the arrivals in March 596 were classified as merchants and 698 as workmen; the occupations of the remainder were not recorded.

A clever capture was effected by a Chinese detective on Tsinling. His attention was attracted to the luggage of a Chinaman on board the "Shun Lee" and making an examination of a trunk he found that it contained a false bottom in which were secreted 72 rounds of ammunition and three revolvers. The defendant, who has just returned from America and was making his way into the interior, appeared before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday. The arms and ammunition were confiscated and a fine of \$50 imposed.

A Nanking telegram to the "N.C. Daily News" states that Mr. A. H. Collinson, until recently Engineer-in-Chief of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway, has been appointed, by Viceroy Tuan Fang, Advisory and Consulting Engineer of the Liangjiang Provinces. Our contemporary remarks that general satisfaction will be felt that the eminent services of Mr. A. H. Collinson, the engineer of China's premier railway, have not been lost to the country.

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## TELEGRAMS.

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## THE "AGENOR" CASE.

TOKYO, July 8th. Judgment was delivered in the "Agenor" case. The appeal of Lewis and Hill was quashed and they were ordered to pay Frazer 22,700 yen in respect of the loss of ship and cargo.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## RUSSIA.

LONDON, July 6th. The Duma has approved the Government's proposals for the establishment of Consulates-general at Harbin and Mukden, Consulates at Kirin, Tsinlihiau, and Dalny, and a Vice-Consulate at Kwanchow.

A joint committee of the Council of the Empire and Duma, have failed to reach an agreement on the vote for battleships, and the government therefore applies a clause in the Constitution repeating last year's estimates which made provision for battleships.

## REVOLUTION IN PARAGUAY.

LONDON, July 6th. A revolution has occurred in Paraguay where the government was overthrown after severe fighting. The ministers took refuge in the Argentine Legation.

## OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

LONDON; July 6th. The Trustees of the Oxford University Endowment Fund have approved the inauguration of a lectureship in the Japanese language and literature.

## STRAINED RELATIONS.

THE BRITISH-SCOTT INCIDENT.

Apropos our London correspondent's telegram, which appeared in our yesterday's issue the following letter which appears in a Service paper of recent date is of more than passing interest:

Sir.—In the "Naval and Military Record" of May 28th it is pointed out that a state of affairs exists in the Channel fleet which is highly detrimental to the best interests of the service, and might in case of war lead to disaster, and that the paintwork signal incident of last autumn should by this time be forgotten. This opinion is shared by every officer in the fleet, but how is the rapprochement to be brought about?

It will be remembered that on the occasion in question, Lord Charles requested the Admiralty to haul down Sir Percy Scott's flag, which, of course, meant the ruin of Sir Percy's career, and that the Admiralty refused to support his lordship in this request. On this his lordship ordered Sir Percy to in future only communicate with him in writing, and that state of affairs still obtains.

At the Dover festivities, in connection with the visit of the French President, these strained relations were very evident, particularly on the occasion of an official dinner given by the French Consul, when it was discovered at the last moment that Lord Charles and Sir Percy were placed next to one another, and the sealing arrangements had to be suddenly altered.

## SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, July 8th.

## IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

## BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

CHIEF JUSTICE'S ALLEGED MISDIRECTION.  
An action was opened before their Honours the Chief Justice and Mr. H. H. J. Gomperz, Acting Palme Judge in which the Russo-Chinese Bank appealed against the decision of the Chief Justice in the case of Li Yau-sam v. the said bank. Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. H. J. Gedde (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) appeared for the appellants, and Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Bavin (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) represented the respondent.

Mr. Pollock read the notice of motion asking (1) that judgment may be entered for the defendants on the ground that the jury would not be warranted upon the evidence, if properly directed as to the issues and as to the law, in finding a verdict for the plaintiff. (2) Or in default of the above order being made, that the verdict which was obtained on the trial of this action in favour of the respondent (the plaintiff) may be set aside, and that a new trial may be had between the parties on the following grounds:—

(a) That his Honour the Chief Justice misdirected the jury on the following points, namely

(1) as to the principle of law which was laid down in the case of *Faughan v. King*. (2) As to the principle of the case cited by the Counsel for the defendants, namely, The British Mutual Banking Co. v. Charlwood Forest Railway Co., 18 Q.B.D. 714 only applying to actions brought against members for the false representations of their agents. (3) As to the principle laid down by Mr. Justice Willis in *Barwick v. The English Joint Stock Bank*, L.R. 2 Ex., in that he omitted to point out to the jury that Mr. Justice Willis said at page 265: "The general rule is that the master is answerable for every such wrong of a servant or agent as is committed in the course of his service, and for the master's benefit." (4) As to the case of a receiving clerk in a bank receiving money on behalf of depositors being analogous to the present case. (5) When he directed the jury as follows: "And now, gentlemen, (his I conceive to be the law: that, if in the course of business for a long period the business has been conducted in a certain way, and if, a given transaction which comes before you has been conducted in this way, then, if that business has been conducted fraudulently, the plaintiff is entitled to a verdict." (6) That the Chief Justice misdirected the jury as to the evidence of the plaintiff's witness—*Lau Chung-yan* with regard to the ship, exhibit 3. (7) That the Chief Justice misdirected the jury when he directed them as follows: "The question which I wish to put to you is whether you consider that in accordance with the course of dealing and whether he was in fact defrauded in that way, whether he was defrauded in the way an ordinary man would be defrauded. The way I have drafted it is this: if you think that the plaintiff went outside the ordinary course of dealing and pressed the compradore to such, then you must find for the defendants, but if you think that he did what he had always done; that the compradore pretended to do what he had always done, in such a way as not to excite the plaintiff's suspicion; that there was in the course of the dealing no knowledge conveyed to him that other things were necessary which the compradore did not do but pretended to do, as for example the simple one of seeking the manager, then you must find for the plaintiff." (8) In directing the jury that the bank's liability was affected by a consideration of the question as to whether the bank had, or had not taken adequate precautions to protect the customer against a fraud by the compradore. (9) In putting the following question to the jury "Did the bank put the compradore in such a position that he could pretend to the plaintiff that he had the necessary authority to receive money, and, if so, did the plaintiff, believing that he had that authority, not offer the money to the compradore in that belief?" (b) That His Honour the Chief Justice was wrong in refusing to leave to the jury the following questions which were submitted by defendants' counsel, namely: (1) Was the defendants' compradore authorised by the defendants to enter into exchange contracts without first getting the rate of exchange fixed by the defendants' manager? (2) Did the defendants' compradore in fact get the rate of exchange fixed by the defendants' manager before entering or purporting to enter into the exchange transactions in question with the plaintiff's agent, *Lau Chung-yan*? (3) Did the plaintiff's agent *Lau Chung-yan* believe that the defendants' compradore had power to enter into exchange contracts without first getting the rate of exchange fixed by the defendants' manager? (4) Was the defendants' compradore, in entering or purporting to enter the exchange transactions in question, acting for the benefit of the defendants or for his (the compradore's) own benefit? (5) Did the defendants' compradore receive the sum of \$40,000? It is from the plaintiff's agent *Lau Chung-yan* that so, did he receive it for the benefit of the defendants or for his own benefit? (c) And that the verdict of the jury in favour of the plaintiff might have been caused by the said misdirection of his Honour the Chief Justice, and by his refusal to leave to the jury the above questions.

Counsel then addressed the Court, and said he would venture with the utmost respect to impress upon the Court that which in the original action he had submitted to His Lordship the Chief Justice should have been put to the jury, as involving the material points which he thought were the law of the case. From the evidence adduced it was clear that defendants' compradore was in the matter of the original transaction pretending to be acting

on defendants' behalf, but was simply getting money fraudulently for his own benefit. There was no analogy between an ordinary European bank clerk receiving money on behalf of depositors and a compradore receiving money. One particular distinction was that a bank clerk was a man to whom the money was handed over on behalf of the bank and nobody else, whereas a compradore had his own business to attend to, and money might be handed him for the latter purpose.

Mr. Slade argued that according to the cases quoted the liability of principals depended entirely on whether an agent had implied or expressed authority from the principals to put through a transaction. In this case the compradore had in fact authority.

Their Lordships reserved judgment.

## MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Tuesday, July 8th.

## BEFORE HON. COMMANDER BASIL R. H. TAYLOR, R.N. (MARINE MAGISTRATE).

HASTY BOATMEN.  
The masters of nine cargo boats were charged with unlawfully making fast their craft to the steamer "Carl Diederichsen" while that vessel was under way in the harbour.

James Kaiseer, master of the steamer, said that on arrival in the harbour on the 7th he was going up the central fairway to Siemsen's buoy. On arrival at the position he found the buoy had been removed. He anchored to swing his ship round to go to another place, but the cargo boats were alongside before he dropped his anchor.

After hearing further evidence his Worship fined each of the defendants \$10, the alternative being one month's imprisonment.

## UNLICENCED CARGO BOATS.

Six cargo-boats were charged before his Worship with using their boats as cargo-boats without being licensed. Defendants pleaded not guilty, stating that they had no money to pay for licences.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$5 or 14 days' imprisonment in each case.

## MORE EXCESS PASSENGERS.

Another summons for carrying passengers in excess of the licensed number was taken out against the master of the licensed steam launch "Wai Fung," who had 74 persons on board over the number allowed. Inspector A. Langley prosecuted, and Mr. F. P. Hett (of Meava, Bruton and Hett) appeared for the defence.

Sergeant Brown deposed to boarding the "Wai Fung" on the 2nd inst., opposite the Central Market. She was then crowded with passengers, several of whom told the coxswain there were enough on board. Witness also warned him, but he allowed 20 more to board the launch. There were over 132 on board, the number allowed being 98.

Defendant was fined \$40, in default six weeks' hard labour.

## SHIPPING NEWS.

At the trial trip conducted at Nagasaki on the 16th June the N. Y. K. steamer *Kame Moru* averaged a speed of 16.41 knots. The steamer will go to Yokohama and then be placed on the Australian service.

The Kawasaki Dockyard (Kobe) has obtained the lease of the Dairen Dockyard (formerly Russian) free for rent for the purpose of undertaking repairs of the steamers on the North China lines.

The South Manchurian Railway Company has decided to inaugurate a regular steamship service between Dairen and Shanghai under its own management. The service will commence from the middle of August.

One destroyer and three torpedo-boats, built at the Kawasaki yard for Siam, left Kobe for Bangkok on the 25th ult. under command of Japanese naval officers. They are accompanied by a tender. Considerable interest is being taken in this contract in Japan.

A number of Chinese residents in Japan and Korea are reported to be contemplating the establishment of a steamship company in conjunction with Chinese merchants at Tientsin, Chefoo and Shanghai for carrying out China coast navigation. The amount of the proposed steamship company's capital is Tls. 90,000.

From the Mitaishi Shipbuilding Yard, Nagasaki, there has recently been launched a steamer named the "Sakura Maru," built to the order of the Imperial Volunteer Ship Society. The new steamer is 335 feet in length, 45 feet beam, 31 feet 6 inches in depth, and 17 feet draft, 3,200 gross tons, 5,880 tons displacement, Parsons' turbine engines, 3,500 horse-power, 21 knots speed. She will carry two 6-in guns and six 12-lb. quickfires. Wireless telegraphy and two 20-inch search lights will be provided. She is now in course of equipment and will be completed in three months. The steamer is to be placed on the Formosa run.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:

On the 8th at 12.05 p.m.—The barometer has risen generally, except over N. C. in.

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Moderate S.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:

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## INTERESTING TO PIECE GOODS MERCHANTS.

## A LEAK IN THE CHINESE TRADE.

H. E. Chang, Viceroy of the two Kwang provinces, has directed the Literary Chancellor to issue a proclamation of which the following is a literal translation:— "I, Provincial Literary Chancellor, am directed by His Excellency Chang, Viceroy of the Liang Kwong, to issue this proclamation to inform the public that on the 2nd day of the 5th moon of the 34th year of Kwong Sui, His Excellency Chang received a dispatch from the Board of Agriculture and Commerce stating that on the 4th day of the 4th moon of Kwong Sui, Lan Sit Kwan, Director of the Chamber of Commerce of the Hoi Moon District, in the Kan-Su Province, petitioned to the Board of Agriculture and Commerce calling their attention to the following matter:— "The soil of the Tung Hoi district is most suitable for cultivation of cotton. The cotton produced in that region is long, soft and very flexible, and may be said to be the best cotton produced in China. Barring American cotton, there is none which can come up to its mark in quality; even American cotton scarcely surpasses it. The cotton plant in Tung Hoi is tall and its leaves are large. It bears a rich and large flower. In investigating the various records on the subject of cotton, we find that its original name was called "Ku Pui" (Indian name) and the plant was originally introduced into China from India. But now Indian cotton does not bear comparison in quality with that produced in Tung Hoi. Tung Hoi cotton is rich, white, soft and flexible and is far superior in every respect to Bombay cotton. Labour has a more important bearing on this matter than the quality of the seeds from which cotton is raised. Although the cotton produced in the districts of Tung King, Tung Hoi, Hoi Moon and Sui-Huang is of the best quality, yet in some places the cotton is found to be superior to that known in other districts; though raised by the same class of labourers, this may be on account of the difference in richness of the soil.

"The native cotton cloth manufactured in Tung Hoi has all along been consumed by the people of the Three Eastern Provinces. Over 100,000 bales are manufactured and disposed of annually. But in recent years foreign cloth and yarn have found their way into these markets in large quantities and the consequence is that the demand for native cloth has diminished considerably. If the manufacture of native cloth could be pushed the business would revive. If military people, police men, students and all others use native cloth to make their uniforms and clothes, then the profit and benefit will not flow into foreign countries, and the cotton industry will be stimulated and revived. I therefore beg you to memorialize the Throne requesting that regulations may be drawn up and forwarded to Viceroy and Governors of all the Provinces requesting them to give instructions to all the Bureaux within their jurisdiction to use native cloth. Thus not only Tung Hoi will benefit by it, but all the districts where native clothes are manufactured will share in the blessings &c. &c."

The Board of Agriculture and Commerce after investigating the matter made the following remarks:—

"We discovered that of late years the importation of foreign yarn and cloth is increasing daily. It is one of the great leaks in our 'tea pot' through which our money is flowing out. The cotton industry of our country is gradually dying out. The object of the Director of the Chamber of Commerce in calling our attention to this matter is to revive the native cotton cloth trade, so we feel justified in granting his request. Besides commanding all the officials to devise means to exhort the people to go in for reform and the adoption of modern methods in the manufacture of cloth, thus deepening the channel for making profits and thereby stimulating commerce and industry, we also communicate with Your Excellency (Chang), and request you to give instructions to all the military departments, bureaux, and colleges, to devise means to use native cloth and to exhort all connected with these departments and institutions to promote the cotton industry, thus reviving the cotton and cloth trades and preventing the profit and influence in this connexion from flowing out of the country. You are to report hereafter to this Board the development of this important line of trade and industry &c. &c."

On receipt of the above instructions Viceroy Chang who besides ordering all other departments to carry out these instructions has also requested me to notify all the colleges to obey the command; to devise means to use native cloth; to exhort the people to promote the cotton industry in order that the profit and influence in this line of trade may not flow out of the country, thus reviving the cotton trade; to watch the development of this industry and to collect all useful information and report it to the Provincial Treasurer, and not to disobey the order &c. &c."

I have therefore issued this proclamation and trust that all officials, people and colleges will obey it. Moreover I hope the directors of the colleges will tell the students to obey the order and use native cloth to make all their clothes so as to stimulate this industry and regain the profit and influence lost. This is my great desire. Do not disobey this urgent proclamation.

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LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The N.Y.K. str. *Tokio Maru* (Bombay Line) left Moji for this port on the 7th inst., and is expected here on the 13th inst.

The Russian str. *Curonia* left Singapore on the 8th inst. a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 13th inst.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of China* left Vancouver on the 6th inst. p.m. for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

The str. *Superior* left Kobe on the 7th inst. (which is in a disgraceful state), and is expected here on the 13th inst.

The Boston S.S. Co.'s str. *Yarmouth* arrived at Kobe yesterday.

## THE TYPHOON HARBOUR OF REFUGE.

## THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPLY TO THE GOVERNMENT PROPOSAL.

On receipt of the memorandum by H. E. the Governor (vide yesterday's issue), the Committee of the Chamber issued the following letter to shipping firms who signed the letter to the Chamber, dated 23rd April:

Hongkong, 29th May, 1908.

DEAR SIR.—I am directed to forward for your perusal and consideration the enclosed copies of the Government's reply to the Chamber's letter regarding the proposed Typhoon Harbour of Refuge at Mongkoktau and Memoranda by His Excellency and the Hon. the Director of Public Works.

The plan mentioned therein may be seen at the Chamber between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. from the 1st June to the 6th June inclusive, and my Committee trust that you will take this opportunity of examining the scheme and estimates—and that you will afterwards favour the Committee with your further views on the subject—I am, dear Sir, Yours faithfully,

E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

Hongkong  
General Chamber of Commerce, Hongkong, 3rd July

SIR.—I am directed to reply to your letter of 20th May, 1908, (No. 9266-1907) on the subject of the proposed Harbour of Refuge at Mongkoktau, and the imposition of additional Light Dues to defray half the cost thereof.

My Committee have submitted the plans and estimates to the general body of British Shipping Companies, or their Agents, for their consideration, and the expression of their further views on this important subject.

I am enclose for His Excellency's perusal, a copy of a letter since received from them, together with their memoranda mentioned in paragraph two of such letter.

I am to state that my Committee wish to associate themselves with the views of the Shipping Companies, as contained in their letter to this Chamber and the accompanying memoranda, and would ask His Excellency to accept such letter and Memoranda as an expression of opinion by the Chamber of Commerce.

I return to this the plans and estimates, and am directed to request you to express the thanks of my Committee to His Excellency for the opportunity accorded them of examining the scheme and commenting thereon—I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

E. A. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

Hon. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1908.

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For the sake of brevity we attach memoranda we have drawn up regarding the proposed refuge, and our notes on some of the points affecting the shipping trade and taxation of Hongkong, dealing with the comments made by His Excellency.

We are strongly of opinion that immediate steps should be taken to improve the refuge at Causeway Bay, half of which at the present time is practically useless owing to silt. We think that, on this being done, it will provide shelter for the greater part, if not the whole, of the smaller craft employed in the Harbour.

Should the Government, however, be definitely committed to the Mongkoktau scheme there is nothing to be said except for the shipping to present their views as to financing the work. They would repeat that this should be arranged to extend over a longer period than that proposed by the Government, and that the extra tax on shipping should not exceed 3 cent per ton net register ton until the cost is finally paid off, the account to be reduced by the payment monthly into the Bank providing the money, of the total realised by the extra 3 cent, together with an equal amount representing the Government's half share of the cost. By this means the urgency

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All claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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THE H.A.L. Steamship

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any cargo impeding his discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst., will be subject to rent.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Optional cargo will be forwarded on unless notice is received from the Consignees before noon To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after MONDAY, the 13th July, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 13th July, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 13th July, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

P. NALIN,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 6th July, 1908. 2

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All claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before NOON on the 15th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst., will be subject to rent.

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ARRIVALS.  
CHONGMING, British str., 1,258. V. McClyment  
Liddell, 8th July—Tientsin via Ports 1st  
July. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
HAINAN, British str., 656. A. J. Robson, 8th  
July—Foochow July 5th. Amoy 6th and  
Swatow 7th. General—Douglas, Lapraik  
& Co.  
HANGSANG, British str., 1,356. S. Wilde, 8th  
July—Chinkiang 3rd July. Rice and Beans  
—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
HONGKONG, French str., 842. A. Cornelissen,  
7th July—Haiphong July 5th and Holhew  
Gh. Rice and General—A. R. Marti.  
JAPAN, British str., 3,808. J. G. Ollett, 8th  
July—Yokohama and Moji 4th July,  
General—David Saseen & Co., Ltd.  
KATHARINE PARK, British str., 3,075. W. H.  
Copp, 8th July—Calao via Yokohama and  
Kobe 12th May. General—Toyo Kisen  
Kaisha.  
KIANGPING, Chinese str., 8th July—Canton.  
KUTCHABERI, German str., 2,100. C. Wolf, 8th  
July—Bangkok 1st July. Rice, Meal and  
Wood—Bartelsfield & Swire.  
PROGRESS, German str., 1,641. Struve, 8th July—  
Samoa 30th June. General—Siemssen  
& Co.  
QUEEN OLA, British str., 2,145. W. McKay,  
8th July—Cardiff 20th May. Fuel—  
Doddwell & Co.  
TAISHUN, Chinese str., 1,216. R. Stevens, 8th  
July—Shanghai 3rd July. General—  
Chinese.

CLEARANCES  
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

8th July.  
Ella, German str., for Vladivostock.  
Hansang, British str., for Canton.  
Nansen, British str., for Swatow.  
Skramstad, Norwegian str., for Saigon.  
Taishun, Chinese str., for Canton.

## DEPARTURES.

8th July.  
DOORTMUND, German str., for Singapore.  
HAIAN, French str., for Holhew.  
INDRAMAYO, British str., for Amoy.  
KUMANO MARU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.  
KWANGSHAN, British str., for Canton.  
LIAH, British str., for Haiphong.  
LOD STANLEY, British str., for Newcastle.  
MATHILDE, German str., for Haiphong.  
QUARTA, German str., for Hongkong.  
RAJAH, German str., for Bangkok.  
SHOSHU MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
SHAOHSING, British str., for Canton.  
WAKASA MARU, Japanese str., for Singapore.  
YATSHING, British str., for Ningpo.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Hainan* reports: Moderate  
wind and fine weather.  
The Chinese str. *Taihun* reports: Moderate  
to strong S. W. wind to Turnabout, thence  
light wind and fine weather to port.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

July 8th.  
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—  
KOWLOON DOCKS.—*Sorsogon*, Fiume, Count  
field, *Sorobato*, *Prinz Waldemar*, *Han Ping*,  
Gaudiana, *Crusade*, *Monteagle*.  
COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.—*Sungkian*.

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STEAM FOR BOMBAY  
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Having connection with Company's Mail  
Steamers to PORT SAID, MESSINA,  
NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also  
VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN,  
BALKAN, ABBATIC, LEVANTINE and  
SOUTH AMERICAN Ports up to CALLAO.  
(Taking Passage at through rates to PERSIAN  
GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA,  
VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and  
MALAGA.)

## THE Steamship

"CAPRI."  
Captain Fedone, will be despatched as above  
TO-MORROW, the 10th July, at Noon.  
For further particulars regarding Freight  
and Passage, apply to  
CARLOWITZ & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1908.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

## FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship.

"HAIMUN."  
Captain Robson, will be despatched for the  
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 10th inst., at  
2 P.M. A reduction of 20 per cent. on First  
Class Fares to Foochow, will be made during  
the Month of July August and September.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers  
Hongkong, 7th July, 1908.

1045  
For VLADIVOSTOCK.

## THE Steamship

"ORANGE BEACH."  
Captain MacClelland, will be despatched for the  
above Port on or about the 15th July, 1908.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to  
DODWELL & CO., LTD.  
Agents.

Hongkong, 4th July, 1908.

1037  
AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR  
FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT),  
CALLING AT SINGAPORE, PENANG,  
CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN,  
SUEZ and PORT SAID.

Taking Passage at through rates to the BRAZILS  
to PERSIAN GULF, IND. SEA, BLACK  
SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and  
PORTS.

## THE Company's Steamship

"NIPPON."  
Captain T. Tarabochia, will be despatched as above  
on or about the 25th July.

This steamer has capital accommodation for  
passengers, electric light and carries a doctor.  
For information as to Passage and Freight  
apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co.,  
Agents.  
Princes Building,  
Hongkong, 26th June, 1908.

## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked 'a'  
nearest Hongkong "b" midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "c," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "d," together with the number denoting the section.

## SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point.

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

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STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON,  
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MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,  
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR  
BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL,  
AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

## THE Steamship

## "MALTA."

Captain R. A. Peters, carrying His  
Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from  
this for Bombay &c. on SATURDAY,  
the 11th July, at Noon, taking  
passenger and cargo for the above ports  
in connection with the Company's M/S.  
"CHINA," 8,000 tons, from Colombo, pas-  
senger accommodation in which vessel is  
secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and  
Sea for London (under arrangement will be  
transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer  
proceeding to Marseilles and London, other  
cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed  
from Bombay by the R.M.S. "ARABIA,"  
due in London on the 23rd August, 1908.

Parcels will be received at this Office until  
4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents  
and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to  
F. J. ABBOTT,  
Acting Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 30th June, 1908.

## "SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

## FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

## THE Steamship

## "CARNARVONSHIRE"

Will be despatched for the above Ports on  
MONDAY, the 15th July, 1908.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th July, 1908.

## "GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKET

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP  
VIA SUEZ CANAL.

## THE Steamship

## "GLENAVONSHIRE"

Captain Wolfenden, will be despatched as  
above on MONDAY, the 13th July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW,  
Hongkong, 7th July, 1908.

## REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE

WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR  
COAST.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

## FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

## S.S. "SURUGA" ... 18th July.

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DODWELL & CO., LTD.  
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th June, 1908.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-  
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE  
CALLING AT TIMOR, PORT DARWIN, AND  
QUEENSLAND PORTS, AND TAKING THROUGH  
CARGO TO ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,  
TASMANIA, &c.

## THE Steamship

## "EMPIRE"

Captain Helms, will be despatched as above  
on TUESDAY, 21st July, at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted  
for Passengers, and have a refrigerating Cham-  
ber, which ensure the supply of Fresh Provi-  
sions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with  
the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon  
are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of  
passengers the steamer of the Company have  
electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1908.

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Mr. A. H. YAU, Hongkong Ferry Wharf Stall

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## BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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■ KUMERIC...	6,282	Cowley ...	On 14th August.
■ SHAWMUT...	9,806	E. V. Roberts ...	On 12th September.
■ TREMONT ...	9,906	T. W. Garlick ...	On 6th October.

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SHANGHAI.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE &	"ARMAND BEHIC"	On 20th July, P.M.
SHANGHAI, COLOMBO &	"GAELIC"	On 23rd July, P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE &	"YARRA"	On 3rd Aug., P.M.
YOKOHAMA &	"TOURANE"	On 4th Aug., P.M.
MARSEILLE 3 VIA PORTS	Capt. Leucelin	1 P.M.

Transhipping on the Co's Steamers at Singapore for Batavia; at Colombo for Calcutta,  
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STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	NOTES.
SHANGHAI	MARMORA Capt. G. H. C. Weston, R.N.R.	About 9th July	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	MALTA Capt. R. A. Peters	Noon, 11th July	See Special of Call.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & SYRIA	YOKOHAMA Capt. D. C. Gregor, R.N.R.	About 18th July	Freight and Passage.
LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & MARSEILLES	SOCOTRA Capt. W. E. Hickey	About 18th July	Freight only.

For further particulars, apply to

F. J. ABBOTT,  
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Hongkong, 6th July, 1908.

**CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.**

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG	"HUEPH"	On 10th July, 8 A.M.
AMOY, CHEFOO AND NEWCHWANG	"KWEIYANG"	On 10th July, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"SHAOHSING"	On 11th July, 4 P.M.
JAVA	"FORESTDALE"	On 14th July, NOON.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 14th July, 4 P.M.
CHEFOO AND TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 14th July, 4 P.M.
CEBU AND ILUO	"SUNGKUANG"	On 15th July, 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THUEN DAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRES, FOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, with Transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE and PERTH	"TAIYUAN"	On 3rd Aug., 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 9th July, 1908.

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**NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.**

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	"GOEBEN" Capt. E. WILHELM	Wednesday, 15th July, at NOON
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	"SCHAENHORST" Capt. L. MAASS	About Wednesday, 15th July.
MANILA, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"PRINZ WILHELM" Capt. W. V. SENDEN	Thursday, 16th July, at 5 P.M.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. F. SEMBILL	End of July.

For further particulars, apply to— **NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.**  
MELCHERS & CO., GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.  
Hongkong, 3rd July, 1908.

**INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LTD.**

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 10th July, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Saturday, 11th July, Noon.
TIENTSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Saturday, 11th July, Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	"HANGSANG"	Wednesday, 15th July, Noon.
MANILA	"KUTSANG"	Wednesday, 15th July, Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 17th July, 4 P.M.
	"NAMSANG"	Saturday, 18th July, Noon.

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REGULAR SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

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FOR

STEAMERS

TO SAIL

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## POST OFFICE NOTICE

The *Marmora* with the English mail of the 12th June left Singapore on Sunday, the 5th inst., at 1.30 a.m. and may be expected here to-day. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 12th May, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 3rd June, and for despatch overland on the 10th June.

FOR

PRB

DATE

Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and Shanghai	Thursday, 9th, 8.00 a.m.
Macao	Thursday, 9th, 10.00 a.m.
Kuching, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, Tacoma, Seattle and Vancouver	Thursday, 9th, 11.00 a.m.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe	Thursday, 9th, 11.00 a.m.
Kuching, Kobe, Bangkok	Thursday, 9th, 1.00 p.m.
Macao	Thursday, 9th, 1.15 p.m.
Sai gon	Thursday, 9th, 3.00 p.m.
Yap and Maron	Thursday, 9th, 4.00 p.m.
Satmar	Thursday, 9th, 5.00 p.m.
Carl Diederichsen	Thursday, 9th, 5.00 p.m.
Huys	Friday, 10th, 8.00 a.m.
Hongkong	Friday, 10th, 11.00 a.m.
Shinkoku Maru	Friday, 10th, 11.00 a.m.
Nikko Maru	Friday, 10th, 11.00 a.m.

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Singapore, Penang and Bombay

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow

Macao

Manila

Durban

Amoy, Choo and Newchwang

Kobe and Yokohama

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Tientsin

Manila

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(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

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Shanghai

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## EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

July 8th.

## ON LONDON.

Telegraphic Transfer

Bank Bills, on demand

Bank Bills, at 30 days sight

Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight

Credit, at 4 months' sight

Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight

ON PARIS.

Bank Bills, on demand

Credit, at 4 months' sight

ON NEW YORK.

Bank Bills, on demand

Credit, at 60 days' sight

ON BOMBAY.

Telegraphic Transfer

Bank, on demand

ON CALCUTTA.

Telegraphic Transfer

Bank, on demand

ON SHANGHAI.

Bank, at sight

Private, 30 days' sight

ON YOKOHAMA.

On demand—Pesos

ON SINGAPORE.

On demand

ON BATAVIA.

On demand

ON HAIPHONG.

On demand

ON SAIGON.

On demand

ON BANGKOK.

On demand

ON SINGAPORE.

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BAR SILVER, per oz.

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

per cent.

Chinese 20 cents pieces

10 " "

Hongkong 20 "

10 "

per cent.

OPIUM.

July 8th.

Quotations are—

Malwa New ... \$920 per picoul.

Malwa Old ... \$955

Malwa Older ... \$970/30 "

Malwa V. Old ... \$1010/30 "

Persian fine quality

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